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Re: FEC letter of August 25, 1998
Amendment to July Quarterly Report (5/18/98-6/30/98)
ID #: C001178418 Boucher for Congress Committee

Dear Ms. McCarthy:

I am writing in response to your letter of August 25, 1998, concerning a contribution which the Boucher for Congress Committee received on May 26, 1998 from the Weil, Gotshal & Manges C Fund and reported on its 48 Hour report. Your letter indicates that the contribution did not appear on Schedule A of the Committee's report. I am writing to explain this apparent discrepancy.

Please be advised that the contribution was received from a partnership and therefore attributable to individual partners rather than the partnership. In my effort to be diligent and timely in filing the 48 hour notices, I mistakenly considered the Committee's receipt of the \$1000 check as reportable rather than treating the check as a set of contributions received from individual members of a partnership and therefore not reportable under the law. I simply believed that any check of \$1000 or more regardless of attribution had to be reported if received during the pre-primary period.

Because the Committee's computer program failed to include the reference to Weil, Gotshal & Manges C Fund as a partnership when it reported the contributions from individual partners, the contribution did not appear in the Committee's report per se. It did, however, appear as ten \$100 contributions from specified partners. As a result, there is no change in contribution totals.